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## SUMMARY

The 2005 National Spent Nuclear Fuel Program (NSNFP) trend report documents the analysis of Quality Assurance (QA) deficiencies for the identification of trends adverse to quality in the NSNFP. The scope of the analysis covers the NSNFP and NSNFP supplier deficiency reports that were generated between January 2002 and December 2005. The January 2002 date signifies the time when the current NSNFP Quality Program and Document Manual was established.

Deficiencies are identified as Deficiency Reports (DRs), Corrective Action Requests (CARs), or a deficiency corrected during an audit (CDA). The DRs/CARs/CDAs are tracked in the NSNFP QA Corrective Action Tracking Trending System database. The deficiency data for this reporting period were categorized and evaluated for emerging trends. There were no deficient trends requiring management action that were identified as a result of this analysis.

### NSNFP

During 2005, four NSNFP deficiency reports were generated. These deficiencies were identified and corrected during assessments (CDAs). The 2005 NSNFP internal audit (05-NSNF-AU-001) resulted in two CDAs. The 2005 external EM/RW audit (05-DOE-AU-001) of the NSNFP resulted in two condition reports that were closed during the audit and regarded as CDAs. For the purpose of this trend report, the four CDAs were grouped together to perform the trending analysis of the overall NSNF Program.

The evaluation of NSNFP data showed a steady decline in number of deficiencies from 15 in 2002, to 11 in 2003, to 10 in 2004, to 4 (all CDAs) in 2005. The Pareto analysis showed that 2 of 4 conditions were attributed to the QA auditing process due to oversight in generating the assessment team member forms. There are no significant increasing trends for 2005. There were no CARs issued during 2005, and there were no open DRs at the end of 2005.

### NSNFP Suppliers

During 2005, the only active government sector supplier to the NSNFP was the Idaho National Laboratory Management and Operations contractor Battelle Energy Alliance. There was one DR related to the materials and testing equipment service provider using equipment with an expired calibration date. There was no adverse impact and the machine was verified to have been calibrated before and after the material tests performed for the NSNFP.

### Additional Oversight Activities

Representatives from DOE, Office of Environmental Management (EM) and Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management (RW) performed a joint (EM/RW) compliance-based audit (05-DOE-AU-001) of NSNFP and identified two condition reports (CRs) that were closed during that assessment. The two CRs were included in the NSNFP trending analysis. The EM/RW generated CRs represent different examples of NSNFP record generation and procedure implementation deficiencies that have since been corrected. There were no adverse trends when compared with the other NSNFP deficiencies from 2005.





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## ACRONYMS

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| BEA    | Battelle Energy Alliance                          |
| CAR    | Corrective Action Request                         |
| CATTS  | Corrective Action Tracking Trending System        |
| CDA    | Corrected During Audit                            |
| CR     | Condition Report                                  |
| DOE    | U.S. Department of Energy                         |
| DOE-ID | U.S. Department of Energy Idaho Operations Office |
| DR     | Deficiency Report                                 |
| EDF    | engineering design file                           |
| EM     | Office of Environmental Management                |
| INL    | Idaho National Laboratory                         |
| NSNFP  | National Spent Nuclear Fuel Program               |
| PSO    | Program Support Organization                      |
| QA     | quality assurance                                 |
| QAS    | Quality Assurance Staff                           |
| QARD   | Quality Assurance Requirements and Description    |
| RW     | Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management   |
| SNF    | spent nuclear fuel                                |



# National Spent Nuclear Fuel Program Quality Assurance Program Annual Trending Report

## 1. INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Purpose and Scope

The 2005 National Spent Nuclear Fuel Program (NSNFP) trend report documents the analysis of quality assurance (QA) deficiencies for the identification of trends adverse to quality in the NSNFP. The scope of the 2005 NSNFP trend report includes the NSNFP and NSNFP supplier deficiency reports (DRs) that were issued between January 2002 and December 2005. The January 2002 date signifies the time when the current NSNFP Quality Program and Document Manual was implemented.

The analysis performed meets the requirements set forth in Section 16.2.6, "Quality Trending" of DOE/RW-0333P, *Quality Assurance Requirements and Description* (QARD). The trend analysis was performed in accordance with NSNFP Procedure 16.03. The results are presented in the following sections.

### 1.2 Description of Trending Process and Methodology

Deficiencies are categorized as conditions adverse to quality and significant conditions adverse to quality, and are documented as a Deficiency Report (DR) or Corrective Action Request (CAR), respectively. A deficient condition identified and corrected during an assessment is categorized as a CDA. These conditions are included in the trending analysis process in the same manner as a DR. The DRs/CARs are assigned subject codes and direct cause codes. Significant conditions adverse to quality that are documented as CARs are also assigned a root cause code, based on formal root cause analysis. Codes are recorded in the NSNFP QA Corrective Action Tracking Trending System (CATTS) to facilitate analysis. The codes are sorted by calendar year into two groups: the NSNFP, and the suppliers to the NSNFP. Any identified deficiencies from external assessments of the NSNFP, such as those performed by the Office of Environmental Management/Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management (EM/RW) audit team, were combined with the NSNFP reports for analysis and trending. Other sources of information are also used for analysis to identify trends adverse to quality. Previous NSNFP QA trend analysis reports are used in the analyses.

Subject codes are assigned to DRs or CARs that reflect the primary QARD requirement that is violated. Direct cause codes are the apparent cause of a condition adverse to quality. Root cause codes reflect the identified root cause that results from formal analysis. The first two codes, subject and direct cause, are subjective and are validated by review of the DRs/CARs during analysis. Root cause codes reflect the results of formal analysis and do not require validation.

Subject codes, direct cause codes, and root cause codes are used to compare the frequency of occurrence of like deficiencies. Codes are sorted by organization for each calendar year to identify an increase in the frequency of occurrence over time. Where an increase in frequency is identified, each individual DR/CAR is evaluated to ensure that common issues are identified, and to determine if an adverse trend is present.

Subject codes and direct cause codes are evaluated by Pareto analysis for each organization within a respective group. This analysis identifies the most frequent occurrence of deficiency codes. DRs/CARs are evaluated for the highest occurrence of a code to ensure that common issues are identified.

The highest occurrence of a code that reflects a common issue may represent an indicator of an adverse trend.

The DRs/CARs are evaluated for timeliness of corrective action, including (as applicable) a discussion of ineffective or overdue corrective actions for each organization. The duration of closed and open DRs/CARs are compared by calendar year to determine if an adverse trend in timeliness of corrective action is present.

Potential adverse trends are evaluated against the criteria for trends adverse to quality in NSNFP Procedure 16.03, "Quality Assurance Trending." If the analysis finds the trend to be adverse to quality, then a review of open and recently completed corrective actions is performed to determine whether mitigating actions are in process that may resolve the adverse trend. If there are no mitigating actions, then an evaluation of the trend for a significant condition adverse to quality is performed to determine whether a CAR will be issued to the responsible organization.

The discussion for each organization includes a description of documentation used as a part of the analysis, evaluations of selected subject and direct cause codes, and conclusions regarding trends adverse to quality. Appendix A provides tables that summarize the subject codes, direct cause codes, and root cause codes. In addition, Appendix A presents the figures used in the Pareto analyses to identify the most frequent occurrence of subject and direct cause codes. Appendix B shows figures for the timeliness of DR closure through December 31, 2005. Appendix C lists the DRs, CARs, and Conditions Corrected during Audit (CDAs) that were analyzed for this trending report. Appendix D lists the codes used for both direct and root causes. Administrative controls that may address adverse trends, lack of timely corrective action, or indicators for adverse trends are discussed. Conclusions that require action by management are identified under the Executive Summary and Results.

## **2. ANALYSIS**

### **2.1 National Spent Nuclear Fuel Program**

The NSNFP is composed of a Program Support Organization (PSO) and a Quality Assurance Staff (QAS) organization. The DRs are assigned to each organization recognizing unique responsibilities. However, the analysis evaluated the data as representative of one organization.

During 2005, four CDA deficiency reports were identified that applied to the NSNFP and closed during the assessments. The 2005 NSNFP internal audit (05-NSNF-AU-001) resulted in two CDAs. The 2005 external EM/RW audit (05-DOE-AU-001) of the NSNFP resulted in two condition reports that were closed during the audit and regarded as CDAs. For the purpose of this trend report, the four CDAs have been grouped together to perform the trending analysis of the overall NSNF Program. As of December 31, 2005, there were no open DRs.

#### **2.1.1 Subject Codes**

Appendix A sorts the subject codes for the NSNFP by calendar year. The results indicate an overall improvement in QA program implementation from 2002 through 2005. The number of deficiencies declined from 15 in 2002, 11 in 2003, 10 in 2004, to 4 (all closed during assessment) in 2005. The distribution of subject codes presented in the Pareto figure shows that 2 of the 4 CDAs (50%) from 2005 were associated with audits as the most frequent occurrence. The Subject Code R, "Audits," was identified in two DRs as described below.

#### **Subject Code**

The frequency of occurrence of deficiencies under Subject Code R, "Audits," was zero from 2002 to 2004, then increased to two CDAs in 2005.

- Deficiency report 05-NSNF-AU-001-CDA-002 describes a condition that was identified and corrected during the internal NSNFP audit (05-NSNF-AU-001). The nature of the deficiency was that several checklists (items 17, 18 and Supplements I and III) for audit 04-NSNF-AU-001 were not signed and dated by the performer. This condition was brought to the attention of NSNFP management. The subject auditor, who used the checklists, signed the checklist pages within the record package. There was no adverse impact.
- Condition report NSNFP (EM)-05-D-027 describes a condition that was identified and corrected during the external EM/RW audit (05-DOE-AU-002). The nature of the deficiency was that several QA assessment record packages were found to contain incomplete assessment team member forms. This condition was brought to the attention of NSNFP management. NSNFP QA personnel corrected the subject forms and submitted them to QA records. There was no adverse impact.

#### **Evaluation**

Evaluation of the DRs under Subject Code R identified problems with consistently generating the assessment team member forms. There was no adverse impact, because the NSNFP QAS personnel qualification records show that the assessment team members were qualified as auditors (or lead auditors) to perform the assigned tasks.

The lead assessor used the forms to verify that the assessment team members were qualified to perform their assigned tasks, especially for those personnel external to the NSNFP QA Program. The NSNFP QA staff has been counseled on attention to detail for record generation. This area should continue to be monitored for effectiveness.

### 2.1.2 Direct Cause Codes

Appendix A sorts the direct cause codes for the NSNFP by calendar year. The evaluation indicated an overall improvement in QA program implementation from 2002 through 2005. The direct causes for four DRs attributed to the NSNFP were due to the direct cause category of Personnel Error.

#### Direct Cause Code 02A, Personnel Error—Lack of Attention to a Task

- Deficiency Report 05-NSNF-AU-001-CDA-001 identified that an assessment team member form was not included with the QA record package (04-NSNFP-S-007). The lead assessor completed the form and submitted it to QA records. This condition was identified and corrected during the assessment (05-NSNF-AU-001).
- Deficiency Report 05-NSNF-AU-001-CDA-002 identified that several auditor checklists were not signed within the QA record package (04-NSNF-AU-001). The lead assessor obtained the signatures and dates on the QA record package. This condition was identified and corrected during the assessment (05-NSNF-AU-001).
- Condition report NSNFP (EM)-05-D-027 was identified by the DOE EM/RW audit team (05-DOE-AU-002). The nature of the deficiency was that several QA assessment record packages were found to contain incomplete assessment team member forms. This condition was brought to the attention of NSNFP management. NSNFP QA personnel corrected the subject forms and submitted them to QA records. There was no adverse impact.
- Condition report NSNFP (EM)-05-D-028 was identified by the DOE EM/RW audit team (05-DOE-AU-002). The nature of the deficiency was that acceptance of four supplier deliverables were not formally documented by the NSNFP. This condition was brought to the attention of NSNFP management. NSNFP prepared the correspondence showing supplier concurrence and submitted the documentation to QA records. There was no adverse impact.

### Evaluation

Evaluation of Direct Cause Code 02A, *Personnel errors related to the lack of attention to detail*, showed slight downward trends (6 in 2002, 5 in 2003, 7 in 2004, and 4 in 2005). Various process improvements and changes to implementing procedures have been instituted. The personnel errors have not resulted in any adverse impacts to the NSNFP Quality Program. The number of personnel errors associated with generating, transmitting and storing records has declined. Personnel attention to detail will continue to be monitored for effectiveness.

### 2.1.3 Root Cause Codes

The evaluation of root cause codes for the NSNFP indicates an overall improvement in QA program implementation. There were no significant conditions adverse to quality identified during 2003 to 2005. No adverse trends are identified from this analysis. No further action is required as a result of this evaluation.



#### **2.1.4 External Oversight of the NSNFP**

DOE EM/RW conducted a compliance-based audit (05-DOE-AU-001) of the NSNFP. The audit team identified two Condition Reports (NSNFP (EM)-05-D-027 and 028) described above and included with the NSNFP analysis.

Evaluation of these two CRs from the EM/RW audit did not identify any adverse trends when compared with the other NSNFP DRs from 2005. The CRs represent different examples of record generation and procedure implementation deficiencies that have since been corrected.

### **2.2 National Spent Nuclear Fuel Program Suppliers**

During 2005, the only active government sector supplier to the NSNFP was the Idaho National Laboratory (INL) Management and Operations contractor, Battelle Energy Alliance (BEA). The NSNFP audit of the BEA supplier (05-SUPP-AU-002) resulted in one CDA. There were no adverse trends or impacts when compared with the other NSNFP DRs from 2005.

- Deficiency Report 05-SUPP-AU-002-CDA-001 identified that the calibration date expired (by 1 day) for calibrated equipment used to conduct material tests. At the time of the audit, there was no evaluation documented to show that the equipment remained within tolerance at the time of testing. This condition was brought to the attention of NSNFP management and the point of contact with the INL supplier. The INL supplier provided evidence that the equipment was calibrated before and after testing and remained in tolerance with no adjustments necessary. This condition was identified and corrected during the assessment (05-SUPP-AU-002). The direct cause was attributed to personnel oversight. There was no adverse impact.

### **3. CORRECTIVE ACTION TIMELINESS**

The DRs/CARs were evaluated for timeliness of corrective action. Data for NSNFP PSO, NSNFP QAS and NSNFP suppliers were evaluated by calendar year to determine if an adverse trend in timeliness of corrective action is present. The CDAs were not included in the computed average, because the CDAs are singular incidents that are closed during the assessment, resulting in zero days for closure.

Overall performance has improved in providing timely corrective action. The NSNFP QA Support organization tracks and reports on a biweekly basis a summary report of all open DRs. During calendar year 2005, the timeliness of corrective action closure was exactly zero because the five CDAs were identified and corrected during the assessments.

Appendix B presents figures for showing the timeliness of DR closure as of December 31, 2005. There were no open reports.

#### **3.1 National Spent Nuclear Fuel Program**

The NSNFP is composed of the PSO and QAS organizations. The two groups work to the same program management procedures. However, data were sorted to evaluate the individual organization duration. The figures in Appendix B show both the NSNFP PSO and QA Support organizations have improved their timeliness in reducing the average number of days to close DRs.

The average closure time for NSNFP PSO deficiency reports declined from 164 days in 2002, to 88 in 2003, to 49 in 2004, and dropped to zero in 2005 for one CDA that was attributed to the NSNFP supplier. The evaluation of data shows significant improvement in the reduced number of deficiencies and average timeliness of closure.

The average closure time for NSNFP QAS deficiency reports showed an overall decline from 117 days in 2002, to zero deficiencies in 2003, rising to 104 days in 2004, and dropping to zero days for four CDAs in 2005. The evaluation of data shows significant improvement in the reduced number of deficiencies and average timeliness of closure.

#### **3.2 National Spent Nuclear Fuel Program Suppliers**

During 2005, the INL supplier qualification audit 05-SUPP-AU-002 identified one condition adverse to quality that was closed during the assessment. As no time elapsed, the timeliness of corrective action closure was zero.

## 4. RESULTS

Data for the NSNFP and NSNFP suppliers were analyzed to identify organization-specific adverse trends. Subject codes, direct cause codes, root cause codes, and timeliness of corrective action completion were evaluated. The analysis of increases in frequency of codes, highest frequency of codes, and corrective action duration resulted in the identification of potential adverse trends in the NSNFP PSO and QAS organizations. The analysis identified the following results. There were no deficient trends requiring management attention that were identified as a result of this analysis.

### NSNFP

The evaluation of NSNFP data showed a steady decline in number of deficiencies from 15 in 2002, to 11 in 2003, to 10 in 2004, to 4 in 2005 (all CDAs). The Pareto analysis showed that 2 of 4 deficiencies in 2005 (50%) were attributed to the Audit process, primarily in the area of assessment team member forms. There are no significant increasing trends. The timeliness of DR closure continued to improve.

### Areas for Improvement

- Evaluation of Direct Cause Code 02A, *Personnel errors related to the lack of attention to detail*, showed slight downward trends (6 in 2002, 5 in 2003, 7 in 2004, and 4 in 2005). Various process improvements and changes to implementing procedures have been instituted. The personnel errors have not resulted in any adverse impacts to the NSNFP Quality Program. The number of personnel errors associated with generating, transmitting and storing records has declined. Personnel attention to detail will continue to be monitored for effectiveness.

### National Spent Nuclear Fuel Program Suppliers

During 2005, the only active government sector supplier to the NSNFP was the INL under contractor BEA. There was one DR related to the measuring and test equipment service provider using equipment with an expired calibration date. There was no adverse impact and the machine was verified to be calibrated before and after the material tests.

### Additional Oversight Activities

An EM/RW audit team (05-DOE-AU-002) audited the NSNFP and identified two CRs related to incomplete assessment team member forms and acceptance of NSNFP supplier deliverables. The CRs were identified and closed during the audit. There was no adverse impact.

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**Appendix A**

**Deficiency Reports Sorted by  
Subject and Cause Codes**



## Appendix A

### Deficiency Reports Sorted by Subject and Cause Codes

#### NSNFP (PSO and QAS) Subject Code

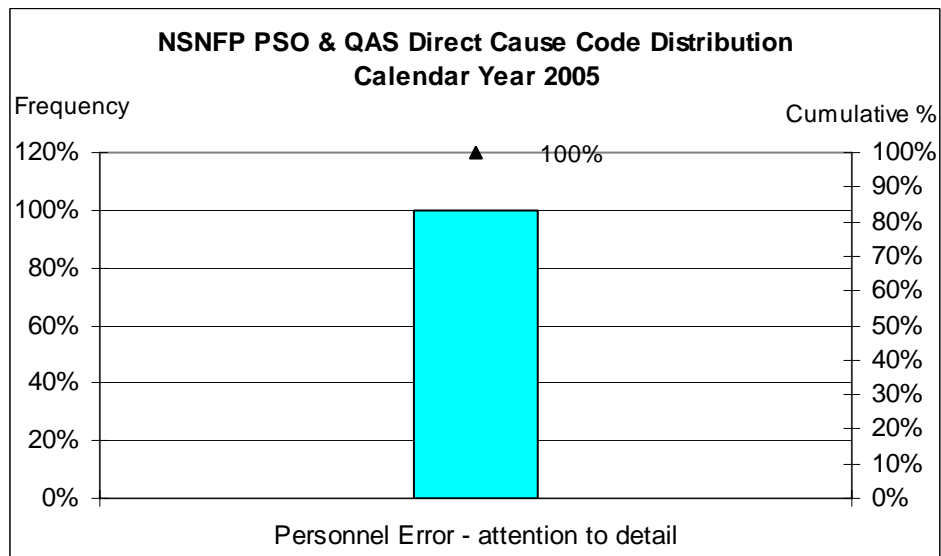
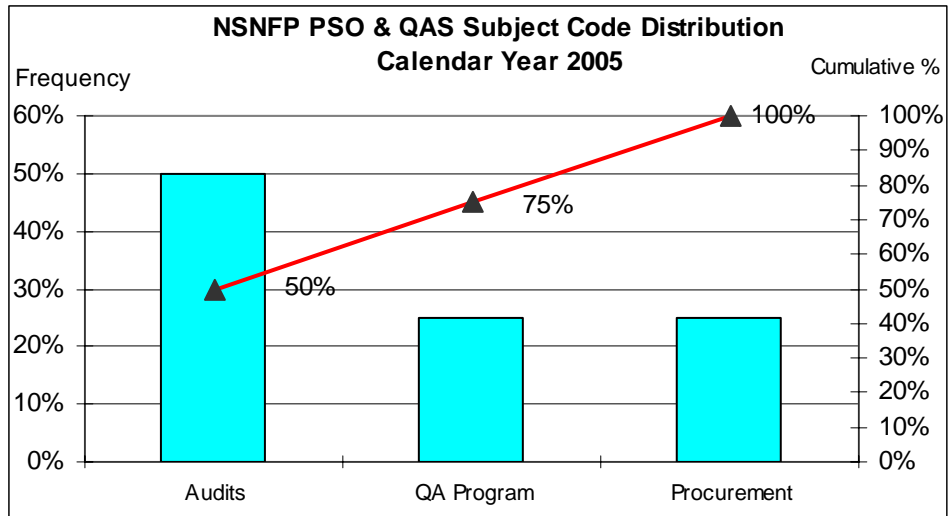
| Subj. Code | Title                    | CY02      | CY03      | CY04      | CY05     |
|------------|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| A          | Organization             | 2         | 0         |           |          |
| B          | QA Program               | 3         | 2         | 6         | 1        |
| C          | Design                   | 0         | 1         |           |          |
| D          | Procurement              | 0         | 5         |           |          |
| E          | Implementing Documents   | 1         | 1         | 2         |          |
| F          | Doc Control              | 1         | 1         |           |          |
| G          | Purchased items          | 3         | 0         |           | 1        |
| J          | Inspection               |           |           |           |          |
| K          | Test                     | 1         |           |           |          |
| P          | Corrective Action        | 2         | 0         |           |          |
| Q          | Records                  | 0         | 1         | 2         |          |
| R          | Audits                   | 0         | 0         |           | 2        |
| S          | Software                 | 0         | 0         |           |          |
| U          | Scientific investigation | 1         |           |           |          |
| V          | Electronic Data Mgt      | 1         |           |           |          |
|            | <b>TOTAL</b>             | <b>15</b> | <b>11</b> | <b>10</b> | <b>4</b> |

#### NSNFP (PSO and QAS) Direct Cause Code

| Direct cause | Title         | CY02      | CY03      | CY04      | CY05     |
|--------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| 1            | 01-Procedures | 6         | 3         | 1         |          |
| 2            | 02-Personnel  | 6         | 5         | 7         | 4        |
| 3            | 03-Management | 3         | 1         | 1         |          |
| 4            | 04-Training   |           | 1         |           |          |
| 5            | 05-Design     |           | 1         | 1         |          |
| 8            | 08-Software   |           |           |           |          |
| 10           | 10-Misc.      |           |           |           |          |
|              | <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>15</b> | <b>11</b> | <b>10</b> | <b>4</b> |

#### NSNFP (PSO and QAS) Root Cause Code

| Root cause | Title         | CY02     | CY03     | CY04     | CY05     |
|------------|---------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 1          | 01-Procedures |          |          |          |          |
| 2          | 02-Personnel  |          |          |          |          |
| 3          | 03-Management | 2        |          |          |          |
|            | <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>2</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> |





**Appendix B**

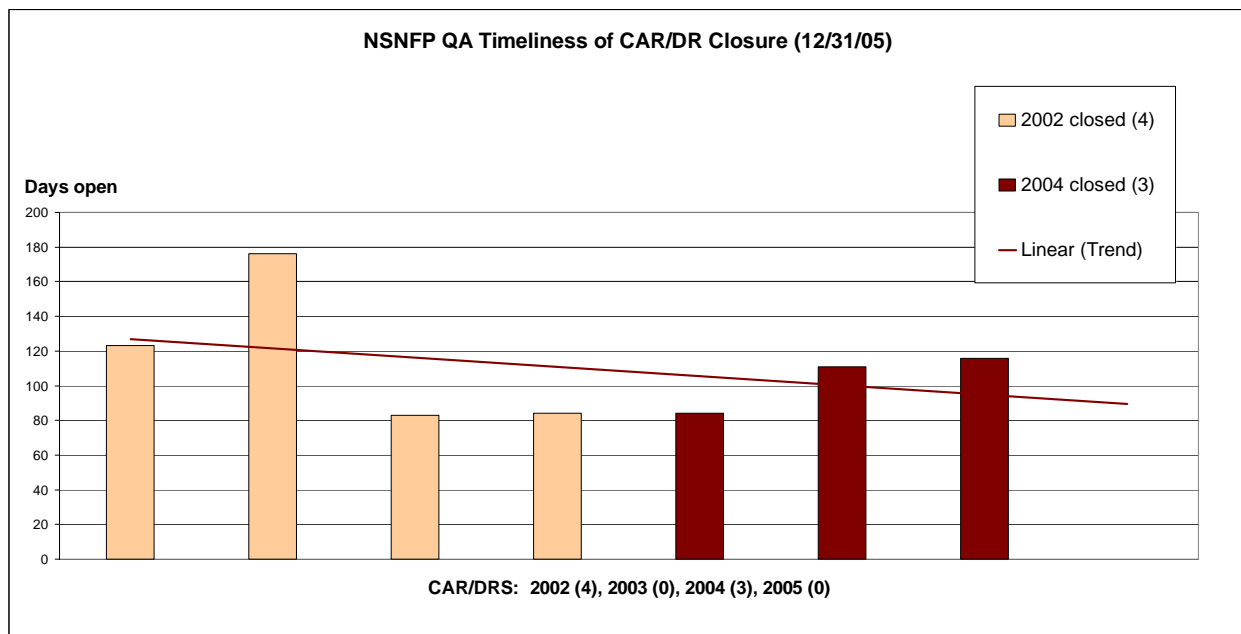
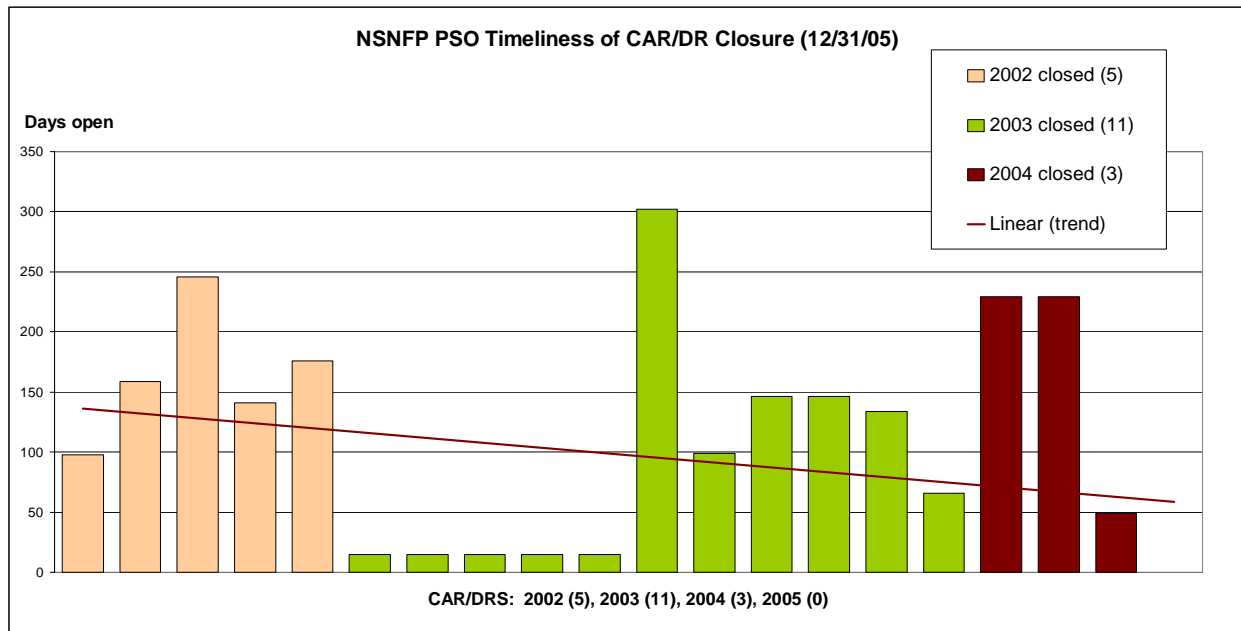
**Timeliness of Deficiency Report Closure  
through December 31, 2005**



## Appendix B

### Timeliness of Deficiency Report Closure through December 31, 2005

(Open reports are indicated in black;  
CDAs [corrected during audit] are not shown)





## **Appendix C**

### **Deficiency Reports**



## Appendix C

### Deficiency Reports (Status December 21, 2005)

| Report                       | Resp Org | Signif | Open     | Subject  | Direct     | Root   | Close     | Days | Type |
|------------------------------|----------|--------|----------|----------|------------|--------|-----------|------|------|
| 02-NSNF-AU-001-CDA-003       | NSNFP QA | F      | 5/30/02  | B.01.1   | 03 A       |        | 5/30/02   | 0    | CDA  |
| 02-NSNF-AU-001-DR-001        | NSNFP QA | F      | 5/30/02  | A.03.2   | 01 C       |        | 9/30/02   | 123  | DR   |
| EM-ARC-02-10/ EM(0)-03-D-004 | NSNFP QA | F      | 10/17/02 | U.06.3.2 | 01 A a     |        | 4/11/03   | 176  | DR   |
| EM-ARC-02-10/ EM(0)-03-D-005 | NSNFP QA | F      | 10/17/02 | G.06.3.4 | 02 A d     |        | 1/8/03    | 83   | DR   |
| EM-ARC-02-10/ EM(0)-03-D-007 | NSNFP QA | F      | 10/17/02 | P.04.5.2 | 02 A d     |        | 1/9/03    | 84   | DR   |
| 03-NSNF-S-001-CDA-001        | NSNFP QA | F      | 12/6/02  | B.12.1.2 | 02 A c     |        | 12/6/02   | 0    | CDA  |
| 03-NSNF-S-005-CDA-001        | NSNFP QA | F      | 5/7/03   | Q.08.1.1 | 02 A b     |        | 5/7/03    | 0    | CDA  |
| 04-NSNF-AU-001-CDA-002       | NSNFP QA | F      | 3/8/04   | B.12.2.4 | 02 A       |        | 3/8/04    | 0    | CDA  |
| 04-NSNF-AU-001-CDA-001       | NSNFP QA | F      | 3/9/04   | B.10.7   | 02 A       |        | 3/9/04    | 0    | CDA  |
| 04-NSNF-AU-001-DR-001        | NSNFP QA | F      | 3/26/04  | B.10.1   | 02 A a     |        | 7/15/04   | 111  | DR   |
| 04-NSNF-AU-001-DR-002        | NSNFP QA | F      | 3/26/04  | Q.02     | 02 A b     |        | 6/18/04   | 84   | DR   |
| 04-NSNF-AU-001-DR-003        | NSNFP QA | F      | 3/26/04  | E.05     | 02 A       |        | 7/20/04   | 116  | DR   |
| 05-NSNF-AU-001-CDA-001       | NSNF QA  | F      | 02/11/05 | B.06.2   | 02 A       |        | 02/11/05  | 0    | CDA  |
| 05-NSNF-AU-001-CDA-002       | NSNF QA  | F      | 02/11/05 | R.07.2   | 02 A       |        | 02/11/05  | 0    | CDA  |
| NSNFP(EM)-05-D-027           | NSNF QA  | F      | 03/03/05 | R.06.6   | 02 A b     |        | 03/03/05  | 0    | CDA  |
| NSNFP(EM)-05-D-028           | NSNF QA  | F      | 03/03/05 | G.09.5   | 02 A d     |        | 03/03/05  | 0    | CDA  |
| 02-NSNF-AU-001-CAR-001       | NSNFP    | TRUE   | 5/30/02  | G.02.1   | 01 C       | 03 A f | 1/31/03   | 246  | CAR  |
| 02-NSNF-AU-001-CDA-001       | NSNFP    | F      | 5/30/02  | K.05.3   | 02 A b     |        | 5/30/02   | 0    | CDA  |
| 02-NSNF-AU-001-CDA-002       | NSNFP    | F      | 5/30/02  | E.05     | 01 C       |        | 5/30/02   | 0    | CDA  |
| 02-NSNF-AU-001-DR-002        | NSNFP    | F      | 5/30/02  | A.03.2.1 | 01 B       |        | 9/5/02    | 98   | DR   |
| 02-NSNF-AU-001-DR-003        | NSNFP    | F      | 5/30/02  | B.06     | 03 A       |        | 11/5/02   | 159  | DR   |
| 02-NSNF-AU-001-CAR-002R1     | NSNFP    | TRUE   | 8/21/02  | A.03.2.1 | 03 A d     | 03 A d | 1/9/03    | 141  | CAR  |
| 02-SUPP-S-006-CDA-001        | NSNFP    | F      | 10/8/02  | F.05.3   | 02 A b     |        | 10/8/02   | 0    | CDA  |
| EM-ARC-02-10/ EM(0)-03-D-006 | NSNFP    | F      | 10/17/02 | V.01.3   | 01 A a     |        | 4/11/03   | 176  | DR   |
| BQA-FS-03-04-DR-001          | NSNFP    | F      | 2/11/03  | D.03.1   | 04 B e     |        | 2/26/03   | 15   | DR   |
| BQA-FS-03-04-DR-002          | NSNFP    | F      | 2/11/03  | D.02.3   | 02 A       |        | 2/26/03   | 15   | DR   |
| BQA-FS-03-04-DR-003          | NSNFP    | F      | 2/11/03  | E.03.3.1 | 01 B c     |        | 2/26/03   | 15   | DR   |
| BQA-FS-03-04-DR-004          | NSNFP    | F      | 2/11/03  | B.05.6   | 02 A b     |        | 2/26/03   | 15   | DR   |
| BQA-FS-03-04-DR-005          | NSNFP    | F      | 2/11/03  | B.05.4   | 01 B a     |        | 2/26/03   | 15   | DR   |
| 03-NSNFP-07/09-DR-001        | NSNFP    | F      | 7/9/03   | C.01.2   | 02 A d     |        | 5/6/04    | 302  | DR   |
| 03-NSNFP-08/14-DR-001        | NSNFP    | F      | 8/14/03  | F.05.3   | 03 A c     |        | 11/21/03  | 99   | DR   |
| 03-NSNFP-10/09-DR-001        | NSNFP    | F      | 10/10/03 | D.01.3   | 01 B d (2) |        | 3/4/04    | 146  | DR   |
| 03-SUPP-S-001-DR-001         | NSNFP    | F      | 10/10/03 | B.12.1   | 03 B d     |        | 3/4/04    | 146  | DR   |
| 03-NSNFP-10/22-DR-001        | NSNFP    | F      | 10/22/03 | D.01.6   | 05 B a     |        | 3/4/04    | 134  | DR   |
| 04-NSNF-S-001-DR-001         | NSNFP    | F      | 12/23/03 | D.01.3   | 02 A d     |        | 2/27/04   | 66   | DR   |
| RW NSNF(EM)-04-D-024         | NSNFP    | F      | 5/21/04  | B.01.3   | 01 B g (4) |        | 1/5/2005  | 229  | DR   |
| RW NSNF(EM)-04-D-025         | NSNFP    | F      | 5/21/04  | B.04.4   | 03 A c     |        | 1/5/2005  | 229  | DR   |
| 04-NSNFP-5/13-DR-001         | NSNFP    | F      | 5/26/04  | B.10.2   | 05 B b     |        | 7/14/04   | 49   | DR   |
| 04-NSNF-S-003-CDA-001        | NSNFP    | F      | 6/17/04  | E.05     | 02 A       |        | 6/17/04   | 0    | CDA  |
| 04-SUPP-AU-001-CDA-001       | NSNFP    | F      | 7/28/04  | I.02     | 04 C a     |        | 7/28/2004 | 0    | CDA  |
| 05-NSNF-S-002-CDA-001        | NSNFP    | F      | 11/11/04 | Q.02.1.2 | 02 A d     |        | 11/11/04  | 0    | CDA  |
| 05-SUPP-AU-002-CDA-001       | NSNFP    | F      | 03/14/05 | L.03.1.1 | 02 A d     |        | 03/14/05  | 0    | CDA  |

### Appendix C Legend

|                 |  |   |
|-----------------|--|---|
| <b>Report</b>   | Identification of Deficiency Report (DR), Corrective Action Report (CAR), or Condition Corrected during Audit (CDA) report number.   |   |
| <b>Resp Org</b> | Organization responsible for correcting the condition.   |   |
|                 | NSNFP QA   | National Spent Nuclear Fuel Program Quality Assurance Group |
|                 | NSNFP PSO  | National Spent Nuclear Fuel Program Support Organization    |
| <b>Signif</b>   | Significant condition adverse to quality as defined by NSNFP Procedure 16.02.  |   |
| <b>Open</b>     | Date of NSNFP Quality Assurance Staff Manager (QASM) approval for issuance.  |   |
| <b>Subject</b>  | Subject code based on the QARD requirement violated.   |   |
| <b>Direct</b>   | Direct cause code based on the direct cause of the condition identified in the report. Appendix D lists the cause codes used by NSNFP Procedure 16.03.   |   |
| <b>Root</b>     | For CARs only: Root cause code based on the root cause of the condition identified in the report. Appendix D lists the cause codes used by NSNFP Procedure 16.03.  |   |
| <b>Close</b>    | Date of NSNFP QASM approval for closure.   |   |
| <b>Days</b>     | Duration in number of days the deficiency report remains open until verified as closed by the NSNFP QASM. This is computed as the difference between the open and closure dates.   |   |
| <b>Type</b>     | Identifies the type of deficiency:<br>DR denotes a deficiency report for a condition adverse to quality<br>CAR denotes a significant condition adverse to quality<br>CDA denotes a condition corrected during the audit or surveillance. |   |
| <b>Status</b>   | The data analyses and trend charts were based on the status at the end of the calendar year.   |   |



## **Appendix D**

### **Cause Codes**



## Appendix D—Cause Codes

| Code       | Description   | Code       | Description   |
|------------|---|------------|---|
| 01         | PROCEDURES/IMPLEMENTING DOCUMENTS                         | 04 A b     | No learning objective   |
| 01 A       | Procedure not used  | 04 B       | Lack of understanding   |
| 01 A a     | No/incomplete documents/procedure                         | 04 B a     | Learning objectives need improvement                              |
| 01 A b     | Lost/missing documents/procedure                          | 04 B b     | Lesson plan need improvement                                      |
| 01 A c     | Procedure difficult to use                                | 04 B c     | Training instructions need improvement                            |
| 01 A d     | Procedure not available or inconvenient to use            | 04 B d     | Testing need improvement  |
| 01 A e     | Procedure use not required but should be                  | 04 B e     | Continued/Refresher training need improvement                     |
| 01 B       | Inadequate/wrong procedure                                | 04 C       | Inadequate training methods                                       |
| 01 B a     | Typographical error                                       | 04 C a     | Incomplete training   |
| 01 B b     | Sequence wrong  | 04 C b     | Inadequate facilities   |
| 01 B c     | Technical facts/data wrong                                | 04 C c     | Continuous training inadequate                                    |
| 01 B d     | Requirements:   | 04 C d     | Inadequate testing or measure of aptitude                         |
| 01 B d (1) | updates not incorporated                                  | 05         | DESIGN/SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATION                                   |
| 01 B d (2) | not covered/addressed                                     | 05 A       | Design Documents/ Scientific Investigation                        |
| 01 B e     | Wrong documents/procedure used                            | 05 A a     | Documents do not exist  |
| 01 B f     | Wrong revision used                                       | 05 A b     | Data/computation wrong, incomplete, or less than adequate         |
| 01 B g     | Implementing documents/process:                           | 05 A c     | Requirements:   |
| 01 B g (1) | not adequate/can't be followed                            | 05 A c (1) | not identified  |
| 01 B g (2) | Incomplete  | 05 A c (2) | incorrectly identified  |
| 01 B g (3) | does not exist  | 05 A d     | Scientific investigation not performed per study plan             |
| 01 B g (4) | Does not describe HOW the requirement will be implemented | 05 A e     | Problems not anticipated in design or investigation               |
| 01 B h     | Conflicting instructions                                  | 05 A f     | Equipment environment not considered                              |
| 01 C       | Error in following the procedure                          | 05 B       | Technical Review  |
| 01 C a     | Format confusing  | 05 B a     | Review not performed  |
| 01 C b     | More than one action per step                             | 05 B b     | Review inadequate   |
| 01 C c     | Multiple references                                       | 05 B c     | Reviewer lack of independence                                     |
| 01 C d     | No signoff space  | 06         | FABRICATION/INSTALLATION  |
| 01 C e     | Checklist misused   | 06 A       | Fabrication/installation  |
| 01 C f     | Information/Data/Computation wrong or incomplete          | 06 A a     | Fabrication/installation error                                    |
| 01 C g     | Ambiguous instructions                                    | 06 A b     | Fabrication/installation not per design                           |
| 01 C h     | Inadequate limits/parameters                              | 06 A c     | Wrong sequence fabrication/installation                           |
| 01 D       | Self imposed requirement - not needed for QARD compliance | 06 A d     | Wrong material  |
| 02         | PERSONNEL - HUMAN PERFORMANCE                             | 06 A e     | Defective material  |
| 02 A       | Lack of attention to a task                               | 06 A f     | Lack of proper tools used for fabrication/installation            |
| 02 A a     | Carelessness  | 06 B       | Quality Control   |
| 02 A b     | Oversight   | 06 B a     | No inspection   |
| 02 A c     | Work overload   | 06 B b     | Wrong inspection instructions                                     |
| 02 A d     | Procedure not used, or used improperly                    | 06 B c     | Wrong inspection technique  |
| 02 A e     | Wrong revision used                                       | 07         | RELIABILITY SYSTEM  |
| 02 A f     | Lack of direction   | 07 A       | Inadequate Preventative Maintenance                               |
| 02 B       | Lack of Qualification                                     | 07 A a     | No preventative maintenance for equipment                         |
| 03         | MANAGEMENT SYSTEM   | 07 A b     | Inadequate preventative maintenance for equipment                 |
| 03 A       | Standards, Policies, Administrative Controls (SPAC)       | 07 B       | Unreliable Equipment  |
| 03 A a     | No SPAC   | 07 B a     | Equipment past design lifetime                                    |
| 03 A b     | SPAC not used   | 07 B b     | Equipment repeated failure, previous corrective action inadequate |
| 03 A c     | Inadequate communication of SPAC                          | 08         | SOFTWARE  |
| 03 A d     | SPAC Recently changed                                     | 08 A       | Computer software controls  |
| 03 A e     | Inadequate drawings/prints                                | 08 A a     | Inadequate software design  |
| 03 A f     | Inadequate accountability                                 | 08 A b     | Inadequate validation, verification or testing                    |
| 03 B       | Immediate supervision                                     | 08 A c     | Defects:  |
| 03 B a     | Inadequate job/task analysis                              | 08 A c (1) | Inadequate defect report  |
| 03 B b     | No preparation/planning                                   | 08 A c (2) | Inadequate defect resolution                                      |
| 03 B c     | Inadequate selection of performer(s)                      | 08 A d     | Inadequate software maintenance                                   |
| 03 B c (1) | Individual not qualified                                  | 08 A e     | Inadequate software identification                                |
| 03 B c (2) | Team selection not balanced/adequate                      | 08 B       | Inadequate user information manuals                               |
| 03 B d     | Performers not trained                                    | 08 C       | Inadequate control of usage                                       |
| 03 B e     | No supervision during work                                | 08 D       | Inadequate data update  |
| 03 B f     | Infrequent task   | 09         | PROCUREMENT   |
| 03 C       | Communications  | 09 A       | Vendor not in the Approved Supplier List                          |
| 03 D       | No/late communication                                     | 09 B       | Vendor not qualified  |
| 03 E       | Misunderstood verbal communication                        | 09 C       | Receiving inspection  |
| 03 F       | Audits/Evaluations  | 09 C a     | No receiving inspection   |
| 03 F a     | No Audits/Evaluations                                     | 09 C b     | Inadequate Receiving inspection                                   |
| 03 F b     | Audit checklist misused                                   | 10         | MISCELLANEOUS OR MULTIPLE AREAS                                   |
| 04         | TRAINING  | 10 A       | Multiple Causes Present   |
| 04 A       | No training   | 10 B       | Material/Equipment Inadequate                                     |
| 04 A a     | Decided not to train                                      | 10 C       | Unknown   |
|            |   | 10 D       | Natural Causes  |
|            |   | 10 E       | Planned Failure   |

